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# THE HAWKS' HERALD

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**SPEAKER**

## Visiting professor discusses political equality in America

**Dillon Stambaugh**  
*Herald Contributor*

Distinguished speaker and current Harvard professor Lawrence Lessig gave a passionate call-to-action speech regarding equality Monday night at Roger Williams University.

Lessig, speaking to a nearly full lecture hall in RWU's Law School, put a spotlight on the United States' corrupt political system. According to the Yale graduate, this political inequality is caused by Tweedism – a system named for the 19th century Tammany Hall political machine leader Boss Tweed, in which a powerful few nominate who the citizenry can then elect. Lessig explained that this system was around in the days of the American Old South, but still reigns true today. Furthermore, he explained that it exists not just in the United States, but in political systems around the world.

Lessig referenced children participating in demonstrations last year in Hong Kong, another nation experiencing frustration over Tweedist political systems.

“Even students in elementary school showed up to start the protest,” Lessig said.

But why are there no second grade American students protesting government in the streets? Lessig explained that, as Americans, “We’ve resigned

ourselves to a reality we believe we can’t change.”

For those like Lessig, who have avoided the treacherous grasp of resignation, there is hope that Tweedism can be combatted. According to the speech, big campaign spending in primary elections is the reason for political inequality in the United States. Only politicians who have the funding to compete in extremely expensive primaries are the ones who can get elected. Lessig breaks down the two-step process: Step one: The funders vote. Step two: The citizens vote.

Throughout Lessig’s speech, which was the second part of the University’s President’s Distinguished Speakers Series, he referenced hope and the future. Lessig divided the room into two demographics: those over 25 years old and those under 25 years old. As an optimist who hopes to play a part in correcting big campaign

*“I am constitutionally incapable of believing nothing is going to change.”*

- Lawrence Lessig  
Professor, Harvard Law

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**COMMUNITY**

## Perry Francis Maltese



COURTESY ELLIE RIO

There is a quote that makes me think so much of the person that Perry was. “There is nothing more beautiful than seeing a person being themselves. Imagine going through your day being unapologetically you.” I try to live by these words as much as I can, but Perry lived everyday like this effortlessly. I think Perry was the best human ever at being a human. The way he was able to be so completely genuine, sincere, kind, cool as f\*ck, and humorous in everything he did made me look up to him in ways I never looked at anyone else. I’m so glad I got to see you write and perform unbelievable poetry and music, and I’m so happy I had little moments with you, like going to Taco Bell in a blizzard, playing basketball with you in shorts made for small boys who liked neon colors, and conversing about hip hop we knew wasn’t good but there was something dope about it. I wish I got to spend more time with you and learn more about you and myself in the process. I love you and miss you, Perry. **-Jesse Ramos**

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COURTESY SCHOLARS AT RISK

Scholars at Risk is a non-profit organization that aims to protect human rights, particularly in academics. Based in New York City, the organization is active in 35 countries worldwide, and focuses on protecting a wide variety of artists, scholars, and intellectuals who face danger in their countries. Additionally, the organization establishes areas of refuge for those who must leave their country in order to escape persecution. The RWU Advocacy Seminar and Scholars at Risk are currently advocating for Professor Ilham Tohti of China and Abraha Desta of Ethiopia. They advocate in general on behalf of imprisoned or detained writers and scholars.

## CEN supports local music



COURTESY CAMPUS ENTERTAINMENT NETWORK

Campus Entertainment Network (CEN) hosted Roger’s Local Music night on Feb. 7. There were three acts of 20 minutes each, with approximately 60 people in attendance. “I really like local music, and I want to find more ways to support it,” said CEN co-chair senior Chris Wade. “CEN wants to help create culture on campus. One major element of culture is music, so if we can help foster some local music and show it off, that helps us feel closer to our goal.”



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# SPEAKER: Encouraging activism today

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spending and the unfair political representation that results, Lessig still recognizes that this issue is not his problem. As someone over the age of 25, he feels like this issue, as well as issues like health care and climate change, are in the hands of the youth.

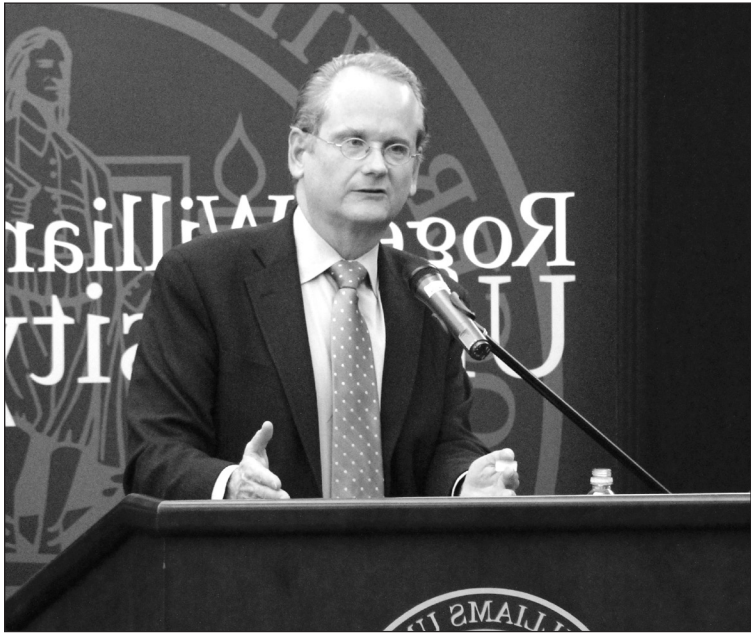
Lessig likened the average American voter to an African-American fighting for voting rights during the Civil Rights Movement. African-Americans did not have “the vote” then because of poll taxes and questionnaires, and citizens today do not have an equal vote in a critical money elections, with campaign funders picking who runs in elections.

Once Lessig’s PowerPoint presentation had ended, the professor allocated time for

audience questions. Students and members of the public asked about what they could do to join the movement, what can be expected in the future, and what his organization Root Strikers is doing to combat big campaign spending. He encouraged his college-aged listeners to join organized marchers to fight for change.

So what does Lawrence Lessig, optimist, Yale graduate, and Harvard professor, expect within the next couple of years?

“I am constitutionally incapable of believing nothing is going to change,” Lessig said, leaving the audience with a strong sense of patriotism and love for a country that so desperately needs fixing.



JACQUELYN VOGHEL/THE HAWKS' HERALD

Lawrence Lessig, Professor at Harvard Law School, delivers a speech to students on Feb. 24 regarding human rights.

# “Dear White People”



JACQUELYN VOGHEL/THE HAWKS' HERALD

On Feb. 24, students gathered in the College of Arts and Sciences for a screening of “Dear White People,” a satirical film that tells the story of a conflict between black and white students on a college campus while addressing issues of racism today. A panel discussion preceded the film, in which pre-prepared and audience generated questions addressed topics such as microaggressions, issues to keep in mind while watching the film, and how change can be made on the University’s campus.

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# Breaking the silence

## *How to start a dialogue about depression*

**Alison Rochford**  
*Editor-in-Chief*

Times of loss or tragedy may feel like they tear a community apart. Director of Center for Counseling and Student Development Jim Azar explains why they should actually bring people together, and how to combat depression on campus.

**How to help a friend struggling with depression or suicidal thoughts**

“I think the most important myth that exists is that if you think your friend is going to hurt themselves, the myth is that talking about suicide is somehow putting that thought into their head. What we really try and teach the student advocates as well as the RAs and the HAWEs, and students in general is that if you have a friend that you think is at risk to hurt themselves, it’s really important to bring that up. Being concerned, being really upfront and honest that you’ve been seeing they’ve been struggling and wondering what’s going on for them is really a very important step. You don’t want someone to lecture somebody about how they shouldn’t have suicidal thoughts or that they’re going to ruin their family. When someone’s down, they just want to vent. You don’t want someone to lecture you on the value of life, about how suicide is wrong. The

other important we focus on when we train RAs is you can’t promise confidentiality, because if a student’s telling you they’re going to do something, you have to let Public Safety or the counseling center know. Don’t minimize it and say tomorrow’s going to be a better day. When you’re that dark, it doesn’t feel like tomorrow is going to be a better day, it’s been pretty dark for a long time.”

**How to cope with the loss of a friend or peer**

“Students tend to ignore their sleep, but sleep actually has a huge impact in terms of their immune system, both their physical immune system and their emotional threshold, being able to tolerate frustration and irritability. It’s really important to be able to maintain healthy sleep patterns. It’s also really crucial to be able to hang out with your friends and to talk to folks about how you’re feeling. It’s really important not to isolate yourself. Trying to get back into your routines is crucial, too, so don’t blow off class, don’t try to use doing shots and getting high as a way to deal with some of those feelings. You sometimes think, ‘well I’m just partying with my friends as a way to have a memorial.’ That actually has a really bad effect a few days later, because you’re getting further behind, you’re sinking. It disrupts your sleep. It’s really a counterproductive way to grieve. You have to find

ways to relax, and also what you eat and how you exercise makes a big difference.”

**Healthy outlets for grief**

“I think the best thing they can do if they’ve got the personality for it is to be able to be with their friends and talk about what’s going on for themselves. The isolation is the worst thing you can have. Folks have different levels of how comfortable they are with other folks, as well as how comfortable they are with their own feelings. The more they feel that they’re part of a group the better, because in a situation like this, the worst thing that can happen is you start feeling isolated and alone. You want to feel like you’re a part of a community, that you matter, and that people care about you and you care about others. The one thing that pulls people out of depression more than anything else is a sense of feeling like you belong to something. If you’ve got someone who is pretty private, but they’ve found other ways that have worked for them, like journaling, maybe getting in touch with a friend from back home, or maybe they go on a date with their partner, I think that sense of feeling connected and feeling like you can get some of that stuff out is pretty crucial. What I worry about on campus isn’t that people are crying and grieving, I worry when they go underground. I think it’s really healthy to be feeling shook up.

It makes sense. To try to move on too quickly and not let those feelings come out creates a lot of delayed grief, and it’s so much more complicated. It’s better to go through this with friends than to go through this two months from now.”

**Warning signs of depression**

“Depression, unlike sadness, lasts a chunk of time. A true major depression has to be at least two weeks of depression. Often when someone is sad, something can kind of perk them up within the next day or so. That’s very different with depression. With depression, you see differences physically with them as well. They may have trouble with their appetite; they may have trouble with sleep, differences around how they use substances. Their perspective on life changes, their hygiene will change. It’s a very deeper comprehensive effect versus something like sadness.”

**Warning signs of suicide**

“The first step is to understand what are some of the signs ... Hopelessness is a very important factor, kind of helplessness. Depression is a contributing factor. Folks who tend to use alcohol or drugs as a way to cope is also a factor ... When people are suicidal, they often do talk about death and dying, and they give out hints that they think things just aren’t worth it. There’s a darkness around the future. I think hopelessness

is one of the most important things to look at. People can be sad, but there’s a difference between being sad and being depressed, and also feeling like this is never going to lift.”

**Services available on campus**

“The counseling center serves all undergraduate students full time, and normally what we do is individual counseling. We have consulting psychiatrists that come in once a week on Fridays to provide medication evaluations. We also do groups. Groups are running this semester on anxiety. There’s also a group that’s been offered on loss.”

Additionally, the counseling center offers consultation to faculty and staff during times of campus tragedy on how to support grieving students.

“It’s really important at times like these to have folks know what the counseling center is all about, and also to be able to help students identify fellow students who might be struggling, and also to help students deal with their own grief.”

**Emergency services available on campus**

“There’s always an RA on call, or there’s the on-call CORE. Students can always reach those people, and those people can always reach us, even in the middle of the night. If students live off campus, they can call Public Safety and Public Safety has access to us.”

## Resources available on campus

Public Safety  
emergency:  
(401) 254-3333

Public Safety  
non-emergency:  
(401) 254-3611

Suicide hotline:  
1-(800) 273-8255

Counseling center:  
(401) 254-3224

CORE on duty:  
(401) 254-3161



## Cinnamon Bun Waffle Fudraiser

Next **Wednesday (March 4th)** from 7 PM till 10 PM  
Student Senate will be selling **Cinnimon-bun Waffles** to  
benefit American Cancer Society’s Relay For Life.

Call or Text **802-375-4788 or 860-748-5802** to order and a  
member of Student Senate will deliver a hot Cinnimon-bun  
waffle to your door.



### Election Packets

Election packets come out  
on Friday **February 27th**  
Pick them up in SP&L.  
They are due **March 23rd**.  
There will be an info session  
hosted in Lower Commons  
at 8:00 PM on March 18th  
for those who are interested  
in running for Student  
Senate or ICC.

### Budgets

Clubs remember budgets are due  
March 6th at 5 PM. You have to  
hand them in at SP&L.

### Scholarships

Apply for a Student Senate  
scholarship. Applications can be  
found on OrgSync now. They  
close on March 20th.



# LETTER TO THE EDITOR: Remembering Perry Maltese

## *He was my first friend here*

I remember being a terrified kid with a bad haircut standing in line at Convocation, surrounded by people that seemed to have become best friends within the few minutes we had been in the Rec Center. For a second it felt like I would spend the next four years completely friendless. Then I made eye contact with a scrawny kid in a snapback standing in the line next to mine. “Sup, dude” he said, and I returned the greeting. After about a minute of awkward small talk, I learned that he also played the guitar and that we liked a few of the same bands; a comforting realization to a brand new freshman. My fear of not fitting in was completely dissolved when I first visited his single in Maple 5 and saw the dozens of Pokemon drawings on his wall and laughed with him over a few Good Neighbor

videos; Perry is the only other person in college that I ever met who also liked them. He was just so real and incredibly easy to talk to. Just after hanging out with him once I felt like I could talk to him about anything. We enjoyed four years of Musician’s Guild, constant anticipation of the next Streetlight Manifesto album, three pleasant Christmas parties at RJ and Andrew’s, and many planned but not often fulfilled cover songs. While we didn’t hang super often, he was one of the few people I felt comfortable around. He was my very first friend here at RWU and without him I may never have met about half the people I now call my best friends. Thank you so much Perry, I owe so much of the happiness that I experienced throughout my time here to you.

-Tyler Mourey

## *I loved to make him laugh*

Knowing Perry was always an absolute delight. I always strove so hard to make him laugh more than anyone I had met, just because I knew whenever I achieved that, it was so genuine. Talk to anybody about Perry and you’ll see that as the word everyone uses to describe him. His songs, poems, caring nature, and general demeanor showed true honesty, something so few people possess. Despite that I didn’t hang out with him every day like I now wish I had, I will always remember walking behind him to meet new friends on one of my first days of college, riding behind him as we biked to a “mad nice” spot he had

found, bowling behind him over break, and being angry at how much better he was at it, performing behind him in the slam, sitting behind him or next to him in class or at Musicians’ Guild, standing behind and alongside him as he expressed sincere holiday joy at the Christmas party Andrew and I had thrown, and making him genuinely laugh as he always did to me; my most cherished memory of him I could never leave behind. I will always miss you Perry, but all you were will always be in my and everyone who loved you’s heart. Love you man, forever.

-RJ Scofield

## *He enriched my life*

It’s impossible to summarize just how special of a person Perry was. When Perry and I first met in 2011, we immediately hit it off. In some respects he reminded me a lot of myself as a freshman, but ultimately I was drawn to his unique spark. Common interest is what caused us to meet and hang out, and as a slightly older person who shared hobbies, I wanted to pass down anything I could like an older-brother figure. That experience was truly wonderful for me, but as Perry grew, he revealed himself more and more as a person who I really admired, a person I felt so fortunate to grace me with his friendship.

Perry was effortlessly genuine, more than anyone I’ve ever met. His honesty played a role in everything from his humor, to his thoughtful nature, to his beautiful poetry and

music. I cherish the conversations we had and the memories we shared, but above all I’ll remember the small interactions that were so unique to him: running circles around me so I could keep up during runs, trying to convince me that iPod shuffles were sick, his face when I told him I’d never had Greek yogurt before, him giving me special records from his collection when I graduated college. There are so many memories I’m thankful to have.

Perry made such an incredible impact on me that I’ll probably never recover from the pain his passing has caused, but I’ll also never forget the things I learned from him and enrichment he brought to my life. I love you man, rest in peace.

-Ryan Treppedi

## *My neighbor who loved punk*

Once I asked Perry to take me to a real punk show, and he told me he wouldn’t bring me because I would embarrass him (which I would have). He was always teasing me and treating me like an annoying little sister. Then one day I got a text saying, “wanna come to a real punk show tonight?”

Perry had a stoic exterior, but he was truly the most caring and loving person. I consider the times I made him laugh out loud some

of my most treasured memories. I remember in July, Perry texted me, “miss u. Can’t wait to be neighbors”. Then in August he said, “so eggcited for school and to see you!” He really pumped me full of excitement to come back here. Living two doors away from each other was the most fun and amazing experience. I never would have guessed we would become such good friends, but I am eternally grateful we did.

-Emily Butts

## *He was always selfless*

Perry and I aligned on a bunch of things, like poetry, playing basketball together, Pokemon cards, puzzles, staying in on the weekends, etc., but what brought us together the most was singing and baking. The first night I met Perry, after Fall Slam last year, he baked everyone a pumpkin pie. What struck me the most about him was that he didn’t have any himself, and only made it for everyone else. He was always selfless like that. Any time Perry and I baked together after that, he made enough to share with people. He wanted to share with other people

the things he found joy in. That’s how we came together in music as well, where we both found genuine enjoyment out of singing together. We always talked to each other about new songs we could do, or lyrics he wanted to write together. We leaned on each other for support, when we’d get lost in the midst of whatever life threw at us. I’m going to miss all the time we spent together, and his immense presence in our lives. I love you, Perry Maltese, and I’ll miss you every day.

-Kaite McKenna

## *He loved fast rides, long drives, and punk music*

I have a lot of wonderful memories I shared with you, but one of my favorites is the trip we took to Cedar Point Amusement Park in Ohio this past summer. We switched off driving as we passed through New York, Pennsylvania and finally into Ohio, playing our favorite bands and showing each other new ones. There were equal measures of comfortable silences and wide ranging conversations as the highway scenically panned by the windows of the car.

When we got to Ohio in the early evening, I remember dropping our stuff at the hotel and immediately finding a Chipotle 20 minutes down the road. We ate a huge meal, and then walked to the mall across the street and explored. We visited a bunch of stores, showing each other funny shirts and books we always meant to read. When we walked into Olympia Sports, we marveled about the amount of LeBron merchandise on the shelves.

The following day at the park was

unforgettable. We hit almost every roller coaster in the park in about 7 hours, stopping only to eat lunch and stuff our faces with candy like a couple 10-year-olds. The smile on your face when we rode the Top Thrill Dragster was absolutely priceless. Those were some of the happiest few days of my entire life because I got to spend it with you, indulging our love for fast rides, punk, and long drives.

-Derrick Uchida

## *Losing Perry is a loss for us all*

Everyone keeps telling those of us who were friends with Perry that they are sorry for our loss. As much as I appreciate that thought, support, and kindness, my instinct is to tell them that I’m sorry for their loss, too.

Losing Perry is a loss for all of us - those that know him and love him, and those that never got the privilege of experiencing his cool calmness, his humor, his taste is music, his brilliant laugh, and every exceptional quality about him. Perry always

made me want to be someone better - someone more impressive, smarter, funnier, and a friend he could be proud to have. I know I’ve always felt that way out of an awareness of how truly original, genuine, and exceptional Perry is. Losing someone like Perry is a loss for us all, but I’ll always look up to him, and I will never stop striving to be the kind of person that Perry made me want to be.

-Keelan Higgins

## *The best to bike with*

Dear Perry,  
I’m never ever going to forget your eyes after we rode 26 miles through the state of Rhode Island. You told me it was one of the happiest moments of your life; that you had always wanted to see the sights that the ride provided us. We rode two hours and talked about everything. And that’s not even our most memorable ride.

How about the first time you showed me Mount Hope Farms, or all the times we rode the bike path to Providence, or those little back roads in Bristol that reminded you of Guilford, and I was lucky enough to ride there with you too. Our bikes took us everywhere together, your green mountain bike with fat tires that always slowed you down was always right in front of me as I paced myself off you.

We went to so many shows, but that Defeater one will always stand out. You were the most calm person but when your anger was released at

a show I saw you mosh with the best of them. Man I looked up to you. You were so effortlessly cool.

All those nights playing “Monop” and the ball games we got to watch. My last memory of you eating guac. at the dunk contest is all too perfect of an image. You were the first person I showed my first tattoo right before we jammed. You were the first person I met at slam and one of my first real friends here. Your smile and laugh are playing in my head on repeat forever my friend.  
I love you more than I can write in words. Your friends are amazing you know, the things I’ve read keep filling in the gaps in your story. Your formative years and even all the other things you did in college. You were a complete person, you knew yourself better than anyone and I admire that.

I love you man, and I will keep riding to our spot.

-Nicholas Andrews

## *My favorite slam poet*

I knew Perry for four years, and was his roommate for three. He was one of my best friends, not just at RWU, but in the world. I could legitimately fill books with how many memories of I have of him, of us, of everything. But there was one moment that stands out to me more than any other. It was during his first poem for his first ever poetry slam. The poem was about his ex of the time, who he thought and talked about a lot sophomore year. It was a perfect balance of humor, raw emotion, and Perry-tailored self-expression. I especially adored the playfully exasperated “fuuuuuuuuuuck.” It

was killer. “Straight fire”, as Perry would say. I don’t want to say it was the best of that year’s slam, but it was far and away my favorite (and it was also the best of that year’s slam). He made it to the next round, but didn’t win.

After the slam, Perry and I were walking back to our room, and he thanked me. He told me that he almost couldn’t finish his poem, that there was a moment where he thought he was going to break down. But he told me he looked up and saw my face smiling from the very back row, and that was what gave him the extra push to get through his poem.

## *He’s still with me every day*

The loss of Perry Maltese in our lives is difficult to accept. He was a beautiful soul and was always there for everyone and anyone who needed it. One of my favorite memories that I shared with him was our late nightlong boarding rides. We rode on the bike path in complete darkness; each of us had a little rat ring flashlight to guide us. Perry’s was green. We rode for a

long time, and kept alternating who took the lead. Our goal was to reach Providence, but by the time we hit Warren I couldn’t feel my legs. On our way back he showed me a private dock that he wanted to explore. I was hesitant because I don’t like breaking the rules and there was a huge sign that stated, “closed at sunset.” But once he convinced me to, “just do it,” we walked all the way to the

end of the dock. There we stood in silence and stared out at the water for a long time, eventually exchanging funny stories and weird facts. I like to think as I carry my rat ring around with me now so that he is still with me every day. I love you Perry, rest easy, nugget. I hope you are smiling at all of us.

-Nicole Fischetti

## *The realest person around*

I met Perry three years ago at a punk show in someone’s house in the middle of nowhere. He was quiet most of the night and it made me nervous. I immediately saw how cool he was. I remember the moment, standing outside of the house waiting to drive back to Roger Williams, that I made him laugh. It was a huge relief, he didn’t think I was totally lame. I could tell because his smile was so authentic. Everything about Perry was authentic. He was one of the realest people I’ve ever met.

We were friends after that night. We had dinner together, we sat on the lawn behind GHH together, he

was part of the literary magazine I edited, I watched him play the coolest covers at Musicians’ Guild, and sometimes he would even come out with us to parties. When I cycle through memories of my time at Roger Williams, Perry is in so many of them, smirking.

I know how he struggled. I watched him fight and win day after day. But despite that struggle he managed to be the kindest human being I’ve ever known. He was able to make all of us cry with his poetry and at the same time he always made us laugh SO hard. Perry made us feel good about ourselves. He made us feel good

about life. He gave so much to all of us. Words can’t express how grateful I am to him.

I want everyone to know that Perry wasn’t just a sad kid. He was able to do so much beyond his depression. It did not define him. He was multifaceted, complex, contradictory, talented, unpredictable, empathetic, incredible human being and so many people’s lives are so much better for having known him.

Perry, you were a wonderful person with a giant heart. I’m so lucky that I knew you. I miss you, but I hope you have found peace.

-Jason Shepard



TAYLOR LINSMEIER

Perry Francis Maltese,  
class of 2015



# Men's tennis changes conditioning program to gain an edge

**Connor Casey**  
*Sports Manager*

As the Roger Williams University men's tennis team gets into the rhythm of the regular season, the one thing on the team's mind is winning a Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) Championship. For the past three seasons, the Hawks have been the second best team in the CCC behind Nichols College. In each of those three seasons, RWU has made a run to the CCC Championship match and each time, they fell to their conference rival Nichols. This year, the team has been dedicated to the offseason workouts and are confident that they can make a run for the title. The conditioning aspect of the team's workouts has been crucial to preparing

them for the upcoming season. Senior captain Ryan Swanson said that the conditioning sessions have given the team a separate time to work on increasing their foot speed and lateral quickness and not having to spend their scheduled practice time running wind sprints. The Hawks have found new ways to work on conditioning, including workouts that avoid running traditional sprints. At times they have done sprints, but they have also played full-court basketball games as a team to make conditioning a little more tolerable. "We are focusing way more on conditioning this year because that's what we realized when we played Nichols last years, that they are in better shape," Swanson said. "We need an edge and conditioning is going to be our edge."

All of these offseason and in-season improvements have been made with one goal in mind. RWU wants to get past Nichols and win a CCC Championship. For the seniors on the team that have lost to Nichols every year of their college career, this is their last shot. Everyone on the team recognizes the fact that the number one goal for the season is finally getting passed Nichols. "Our first goal is winning the Commonwealth Coast Conference," said head coach Barry Gorman. "We got to the finals last year and lost to Nichols. That's something we have really been working for this whole preseason. We are looking to get ourselves in the best position we can." The annual spring break trip to Florida is quickly approaching for the Hawks and the schedule is stacked with competitive teams that will push RWU and give the team a good idea of how they will stand up against the better teams in the CCC. Following their spring break trip, the team will return to the frigid Northeast to face off against the College of the Holy Cross, a Division I school. The Hawks will have their first home match of the season on March 24 against Western New England University.



RACHEL DIEP/THE HAWKS' HERALD  
Senior Zack Bussiere hits a return during one of their matches last season.

### MEN'S TENNIS QUICK HITS

**Last season's record:**

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**Captains:**

Senior Ryan Swanson

Junior Eric Laboissonniere

**Coach:**

Barry Gorman

# Track and field looks to keep relationship with winning alive

**Stephanie Nisbet**  
*Herald Contributor*

Last April, the Roger Williams University men's and women's track & field teams each came away with Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) championship titles. It wasn't the first time this had happened; these two teams are no strangers to winning. But in a sport with a hyperfocus on the individual, it's not just about what the team can accomplish as a whole. Personal success for each athlete is a top priority. "We're essentially focused on the individual and trying to get them better at the event they want to do and will be the most successful at," said head coach Sean Livingston. "The big goal for everybody is to try and be better than you were the year before—whether it's at running, jumping, throwing, sprinting—and to hopefully get as many athletes qualified for the 'Big 3' as possible." The "Big 3" are the New England Championships, ECAC Championships, and NCAA Championships. In order



Back from left: Senior Ben Lane and senior Thomas Franco. Front from left: Juniors Jamie Wandzilak and Kim Noble and senior Caralyn Logan. to qualify for each of these meets, an individual athlete must hit a standard in their respective event. "Winning the conference is a big thing, and we pride ourselves on going in there and being competitive at that meet. But we want to instill in these athletes that they can get to the next step, too," Livingston said. The men's team, led by senior captains Ben Lane and Tommy Franco and junior captain Chad O'Neil, set a handful of school records last year and looks to continue rewriting the record books. Among those returning are sophomore Steve McManus and junior Ryan Rotondo, who were both part of RWU's record-setting 4x100 relay last spring. Sophomore Ian Mitchell is also coming off a successful 2014 season, during which he set the school record in the Triple Jump, earned All-New England honors, and qualified for the ECAC Championships. Livingston sees a lot of potential in the freshman class as well, including twin brothers Tim and Jack McGowan (800m, 1500m, 5k events), Justin Burnett, Joffre Rodriguez, and Dustin Wade. The women's team is captained by senior Caralyn Logan and juniors Kim Noble and Jamie Wandzilak. Though

### TRACK AND FIELD QUICK HITS

**Last season's finish:**

Mens: CCC Champions

Womens: CCC Champions

**Men's Captains:**

Seniors Ben Lane and Thomas Franco, junior Chad O'Neil

**Women's Captains:**

Senior Caralyn Logan and juniors Kim Noble and Jamie Wandzilak

**Coach:** Sean Livingston

# Hawks round up

## Team standings

Men's Basketball (Final Standings)	
Nichols College.....	17-1
Endicott College.....	16-2
Eastern Nazarene College.....	14-4
Wentworth Institute of Technology..	10-8
Gordon College.....	8-10
<b>Roger Williams University.....</b>	<b>7-11</b>
Western New England University.....	6-12
University of New England.....	5-13
Curry College.....	4-14
Salve Regina.....	3-15

Women's Basketball (Final Standings)	
University of New England.....	16-2
<b>Roger Williams University.....</b>	<b>16-2</b>
Curry College.....	12-6
Western New England University.....	11-7
Eastern Nazarene College.....	10-8
Salve Regina.....	9-9
Endicott College.....	7-11
Wentworth Institute of Technology..	5-13
Nichols College.....	3-15
Gordon College.....	1-17

Wrestling (Pilgrim League)	
<b>Roger Williams University.....</b>	<b>18-1</b>
Johnson & Wales University.....	21-8
Coast Guard Academy.....	13-6
Western New England University.....	6-12
Bridgewater State University.....	3-11

## Other News and Notes

The men's basketball team was eliminated from the Commonwealth Coast Conference playoffs this past Tuesday after losing 61-46 to Eastern Nazarene College. Senior **Ryan Palumbo** led the Hawks with 15 points and six rebounds while freshman **Jaylen Jennings** added 12 points and seven rebounds off the bench. The Hawks turned the ball over 21 times, which led to 24 points for Eastern Nazarene. The wrestling team secured their third consecutive Pilgrim League Championship with a 21-12 win against rival Johnson and Wales University last Friday night. It was a hard fought match between the two teams, but the Hawks would prove too much for Johnson and Wales. The 14th ranked Hawks improved their rank to 17-1 overall and 4-0 in league while dropping to 20-7 overall and 3-1 against conference opponents. Junior **David Welch** started the match well for the Hawks when he earned a 3-0 decision over his opponent. Sophomore **Kyle Foster** came up big for the team, scoring a 9-0 victory and increasing the team lead for RWU. After Johnson and Wales came back to take a lead in the team scores at 12-11, juniors **Francisco Colom** and **Dan Ressler** along with sophomore **Joe Albina** would all finish with strong performances and help put the match way for RWU. The Hawks continued their successful weekend by winning the New England Futures Tournament this past Sunday. RWU hosted the tournament and outlasted the competition. The Hawks finished with 165.5 points while Johnson and Wales finished in second with 148 points and Coast Guard Academy finished in third with 99 points. The Hawks will compete in their next match on Feb. 28, when they will host the NCAA Division III Northeast Wrestling Regional.

## Upcoming Games

<b>Wrestling NCAA Division III Northwest Wrestling Regional</b>
2.28.15   11 a.m.
<b>Men's lacrosse vs. Connecticut College</b>
2.28.15   1 p.m.
<b>Wrestling NCAA Division III Northwest Wrestling Regional</b>
3.1.15   10 a.m.
<b>Softball vs. Susquehanna University</b>
3.6.15   9 a.m.
<b>Baseball vs. Wartburg College</b>
3.7.15   9 a.m.
<b>Men's tennis vs. Cornell College</b>
3.8.15   11 a.m.



# Unlimited potential

## Men's lacrosse looking to make next step a big one

Stephanie Nisbet  
*Herald Contributor*

The key to winning is more than just outplaying an opponent. As the Roger Williams University men's lacrosse team has discovered, success is just as much about having the right mentality as it is about having talent. "It's more mental as opposed to physical," said head coach Marty Kelly. "We have the talent, and we have more depth this year. We have some great teams in our conference. It's not so much competing with

them [that's the problem]; it's believing we can compete with them. I just hope guys are fed up with not getting it done." Senior captain Mark Fesenmeyer agrees. "Talent-wise, we've probably been [where we need to be] for a few years. The biggest thing has always been the mentality," he said. "Even if we get down, we just need to stay positive and know that the game is going to go back and forth a little bit." The Hawks are coming off a strong 2014 season, during which they racked up a record 13 wins and finished third in

the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC), with a 7-2 conference record. They're currently ranked third in the preseason poll. Third place is never enough when there's the potential for first, though. "The bottom line is that we didn't get as far as we wanted to [last year]," Kelly said. This season, the team is looking to use their experience to go further in the postseason. With 11 seniors and 28 returning players, there is great potential to build off of last year's success and to learn from previous mistakes. The addition

of several new players will also benefit the Hawks. "We have a few transfers who are going to play key roles on this team. The freshman class has also been looking impressive, and a lot of them are going to help us out tremendously this year," Fesenmeyer said. But it's not just the players on the field who will contribute to this season's successes. The Hawks are joined by three returning assistant coaches, and Kelly knows that their familiarity with the team has led to significant trust between the players and coaches. The main struggle so far this season has been organization. With incessant snowfall and temperatures frequently dipping below 15 degrees, the team has been forced to practice inside. It hasn't been easy to find practice time with all the other spring sports teams using the gym, fieldhouse, and fitness center as well. "We've just been really kind of scrambling for indoor time," Kelly said. "When we can't go outside, it causes chaos for everybody...it's tough for the guys mentally, practicing at all these odd hours. It becomes hard to get into a routine." Fesenmeyer agreed, saying, "we never really know when we're practicing or when we'll get a chance to get outside, so we've been trying to take advantage of the opportunities we get when we can make it onto the turf." The Hawks got their first taste of outdoor competition

last Saturday, when they scrimmaged Eastern Connecticut State University and Wesleyan University. After defeating ECSU, they fell to Wesleyan, but Fesenmeyer feels both games had their positives. "We played really hard, and the offense possessed the ball well and gave the defense a rest. We ran a bunch of good plays and just did a lot of little things well," Fesenmeyer said. It's all those little things that add up in the end that will lead to a successful season and help cement that winning mentality. "We're [ranked] behind two top-20 teams, but we feel like we can get in the top 20, too," Kelly said. "But we've got to do it on the field. That's the only way to do it."



RACHEL DIEP/THE HAWKS' HERALD  
Junior Cam Donnelly and Junior Eric Valenti practice for their upcoming season.

**MEN'S LACROSSE**  
**QUICK HITS**

**Last season's record:**  
13-5

**Captains:**  
Junior Caleb Kenney  
Senior Patrick Holland  
Senior Jordan Nachowitz

**Coach:**  
Marty Kelly

**Preseason projection:**  
3rd in CCC

## Ariola reaches milestone



ANDREW GRASSEY/THE HAWKS' HERALD  
This past weekend, Angelica Ariola recorded her 1,000-career point at Roger Williams University for the women's basketball team in a victory over conference rival University of New England. Ariola has been a steady contributor to the team since her freshman season. Her scoring average has increased over the three years that she has been playing at RWU, starting at 8.7 points per game in her freshman year and vaulting to 16.0 points per game this season. Ariola has taken on much of the scoring load this season in the absence of RWU alumni Kaitlyn Bovee. Ariola has proved that she does more than just score the ball as well. She has averaged 3.2 assists per game while running the team's offense from the point guard position. With her senior year still ahead of her, Ariola looks poised to continue to add to her career point total at RWU.

# ‘Wings’ up

## Softball brings new mentality into 2015 season

Amanda Calderon  
*Herald Contributor*

With the 2015 season approaching, head coach of the softball team Joyce Maudie is confident that her team is ready to perform. The motto that her team has adopted for this season is "wings up", in relation to the school mascot. When a hawk is in flight, their wings are up, ready to attack or soar. This is exactly how the softball team strives to be. Maudie stressed that staying in the moment and focusing on the process of the game is more important than the result. The team is well balanced with experience and new talent, with only one senior, six juniors, six sophomores, and four freshmen. All seven upperclassmen won the 2013 Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) Championship and are determined to get back to that level. Senior captain Alana Peoples and junior

captains Meghan Maliga and Veronica Alicea have been strong leaders and are determined to have success. The captains are working hard to incorporate the new four freshmen into the program. "Our three captains have done a great job leading by example and keeping the team focused and motivated," Maudie said. "They ran practices in the fall, worked very hard, and want another taste of the championship." The weather has presented a challenge for the spring sports teams because they are unable to practice outdoors on their fields during preseason. With the relentless winter storms over the course of the semester, spring seems like an impossibility. Maudie has expressed her concerns about going into the season without any practice on a real field. "The fact that we are going to start our season without having been out on the field [is a concern]. We have our very first game in Florida and it will be very

competitive and we haven't been outside at all," Maudie said. "You don't get those reads off of the bat when you're in a smaller space and you don't have a good feel for what you need to do spatially, so that will be a challenge just to get our feet on the ground." Another challenge facing the team, according to Maudie, is to stay motivated and keep focused. The season is an intense six weeks, with seven or eight games per week, which becomes a mental grind. Coach Maudie is looking forward to playing against in-state rival Salve Regina College, as well as defending CCC Champion Endicott College, so they need to make sure they come focused and ready to play. She says that these two teams are motivating factors, however, the rest of the CCC teams cannot be overlooked. The softball team plays their first home game on Saturday, March 21 against Rhode Island College.



RACHEL DIEP/THE HAWKS' HERALD  
Senior Alana Peoples (left) and juniors Meghan Maliga (middle) and Veronica Alicea (right). The softball team begins their season with a spring break trip to Florida.

**SOFTBALL QUICK HITS**

**Last season's record:**  
20 - 17

**Captains:**  
Senior Alana Peoples  
Junior Meghan Maliga  
Junior Veronica Alicea

**Coach:**  
Joyce Maudie

**First Game:**  
March 6 vs. Sasquehanna University



# Looking to rebound

*After championship loss, women's lacrosse looks for success*

**Michelle Ryder**  
*Herald Contributor*

The Roger Williams University women's lacrosse team is coming back this year confident and hungry for a more successful season than they had last year. The Hawks finished 11-8 overall last year and had a record of 5-3 in the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC). The road throughout the CCC tournament was not easy, and the Hawks ended up falling to Endicott in the championship game. Senior attacker Kelsey Rahilly was a key player in that game and continues to be a huge asset to the team.

"To do as well as we did, it was surprising to the school, our conference, and other teams in

Division III," Rahilly said. The Hawks unfortunately got the short end of the stick that game. It all came down to the last three minutes of the last period. It was competitive back and forth and the Hawks were up by two when Endicott eventually tied it up 13-13 with seconds left in the game. "There were some unfortunate calls in the last three-minute span giving Endicott control of the ball a majority of the game; the last three minutes were a nightmare and I really thought we were going into over time," Vogeley said.

As the buzzer went off, and the play clock hit zero, Endicott scored a goal to win the match 14-13. RWU was under the impression that the game was over and they would be going into overtime. Unfortunately, the play was ruled a goal in Endicott's favor. This was a huge turning point for the team, where their character as a person and commitment to the team only grew stronger.

"The girls were absolutely fantastic, but this is sports and there has to be a winner and there has to be a loser, but I told them that there was nothing more I could ask from them. They were looking to hold that trophy but unfortunately we had to swallow it," Vogeley said. Rahilly is looking for revenge this year. With a large target on her back, she is looking to be a standout player for the Hawks as she was last year. Although Rahilly is a senior, she has chosen to not be a captain for the team, but rather be a silent leader and role model. This

season the Hawks are being lead by captains, seniors Andie Krefsky and Mackenzie Logan, and junior Caitlin Murphy. The Hawks are pleased with last year's outcome and have been working since the fall to get back to the championship level. "Last year was a big turning point, but my stats would not have been where they were without my teammates, so I wouldn't have been such a successful player if it wasn't for them," Rahilly said.

This season, the Hawks have lost some players from last year, but have also added great new team members. The connection between the upperclassmen and freshmen has been successful, on and off the field. The transition has been seamless and Vogeley is very pleased with the bind the players have formed. As far as this season goes, the team is excited for their games against Western New England College and their rematch versus Endicott College.

Coach Vogeley is very optimistic about this season, and is excited for their spring break trip that they will be taking down to Florida. During their trip, they will be playing other Division III schools including Washington College and Fredonia State. Roger Williams University will be traveling to Eastern Connecticut State University on March 3, to compete in their first match of the season.



Senior Kelsey Rahilly looks for a team member to pass to during one of their games last season.

# Working to finish

*Baseball sets goal to win 30 games, championship*

**Andrew Grassey**  
*Sports Editor*

The baseball team's goal going into their 2015 campaign is very simple: finish. Finish off baseball games with a win. Finish off double headers with a sweep. Finish off the season with a win in the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) Championship. Last season, Roger Williams University ended the season with 26-17 record and came in second in the CCC. Even with an impressive record, the

Hawks felt that they let too many games slip away. "We definitely left a lot of games out there," said senior captain Joe Hock. "We probably should have won four or five more than we did. It kind of hurt us at the end of the year but that is definitely something that we will work on this year." The Hawks goal is to keep their focus throughout every game of the season. Last season, they felt that they would play well for a few innings and then lose momentum and end up losing games. "We had times last year where

we would come out hot and play well and then coast and let the game slip away," said senior captain Chris Travers. "I feel like this year we need to keep going with the pedal to the metal and don't let the wins slip away." RWU hopes that for this season, they can remain focused throughout entire games and the doubleheaders on their schedule. The Hawks take on conference opponents almost every weekend of the season with many of the match-ups being double headers. The Hawks want to sweep those double headers to make sure

they make it to the CCC tournament. "You want to win double headers," said junior captain George Lund. "All the conference games that we play are Saturday and Sunday, one game after another against the same team and you want to be able to sweep those to get into the playoffs." The Hawks hold a roster of 33 players for this season's team, which includes 12 freshmen. The team has been working hard this offseason to make sure that the freshmen understand the system while also working to keep the veteran players motivated to have another successful season. "I think we have 33 guys that all have the ability to contribute to wins," said head coach Derek Carlson. "I think that everyone can contribute to wins on this team. We are very deep."

The Hawks begin an 11-game Florida trip on Saturday, March 7, where they will take on teams such as Wartburg University, Suffolk University, and Bowdoin College. An advantage that the Hawks have for this trip is that unlike previous seasons, they have a day to practice in Florida before their season starts. With the large amounts of snow keeping the Hawks indoors for most of the offseason, the practice in Florida will be a huge help. "We are fortunate enough to have a practice the first day we are down there," Lund said. "We have a practice day our first day in Florida before the game on Saturday so that is huge." After the Hawks return home

from their Florida trip, they will have their first home game on March 17 against Rhode Island College. With the season set to begin, the Hawks will want to execute their game plan from the get go. They'll need to play complete games, sweep double headers, and hopefully finish off the season with a CCC Championship. For a successful finish to the season, the Hawks look to be strong with the basics. "Baseball is the same thing every year. You have to pitch, you need good defense, and you need timely hitting," Lund said. "Those are the three big keys for us."



Junior Tyler Campo pitches during one of the Hawk's games last season.

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## BASEBALL QUICK HITS

### Last season's record:

26 - 17

### Captains:

Senior Joe Hock

Senior Chris Travers

Junior George Lund

### Coach:

Derek Carlson

### First Game:

March 7 vs. Wartburg College



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# DEFEATED



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## Women's basketball falls to Endicott in first round of CCC tournament

Connor Casey  
Sports Manager

The Roger Williams University women's basketball team was knocked out of the Commonwealth Coast Conference (CCC) playoffs on Tuesday night after losing to Endicott College 73-59.

RWU was the number two seed coming into the playoffs, but the seven seeded Gulls were not intimidated by being the underdog. RWU will finish the year with a 19-7 overall record and a sour taste in their mouth after losing to the seven seed on their home court.

The Hawks got out to a slow start offensively and dug themselves into a hole early in the game. The offense was stagnant to start the game, with little ball movement which led to turnovers. Endicott got out to an early 10-2 lead before RWU head coach Kelly Thompson called a timeout to get her team together. She recognized that the team's slow start was due in part to Endicott, but also jitters from her own team.

"They are a really good number seven seed and nothing that they did surprised me at all," Thompson said. "I think we did have a little bit of jitters and it showed with the turnovers and bad offense and defense."

The first half was a game of runs, with both teams taking turns controlling the pace of the game. After the

RWU timeout, junior Rachel Battista sparked a 9-3 run with a 3-point shot to get them back into the game. As soon as the Hawks closed the gap, Endicott came on strong with a run of their own and opened up a 20-13 lead with eight minutes left to play in the half. Both teams traded baskets for the rest of the half, and the Hawks went into halftime down 34-31. Bridget Quilty had eight points and seven rebounds at the half, while Battista added nine points off the bench that helped the team stay in the game.

"All year Rachel [Battista] has been a good offensive spark off of the bench," Thompson said. "She was making layups and hitting threes and she was just aggressive."

The second half started with Endicott going on an 11-4 run, which put the Hawks down by double digits for the first time in the game. Another Thompson timeout calmed things down for RWU because the team came out after the time out and went on a 12-2 run of their own. The run evened up the score at 47-47 with just over nine minutes to play in the game. Although the Hawks' offense had been more productive, Endicott was slowly able to open up their lead as the game was coming to a close. A cold streak from the field in the final minutes allowed Endicott to seal the game by making their free throws down the stretch.



ANDREW GRASSEY/THE HAWKS' HERALD  
TOP: Senior Lisa Lutz sits in disappointment at the end of the game. BOTTOM: Sophomore Bridget Quilty goes up for the layup in the Hawks loss to Endicott College on Tuesday night.

Quilty finished the game with 12 points and eight rebounds and Battista finished with 15 points. Junior captain Angelica Ariola overcame a tough first half and finished with 11 points, three assists, and three rebounds.



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# Hawks fly south for a new perspective



RACHEL LOMBARDI/THE HAWKS' HERALD

In border town of Haiti called Tirol, a town full of barefoot children and sewage running through the streets. People can rarely find food or water that isn't contaminated, and rely on limited medical supplies to keep their people healthy.

## Journalism students travel to report on social issues abroad

**Rachel Lombardi**  
*Herald Reporter*

For the first time, Roger Williams University sent a group of students on a two-week study abroad trip during winter break to Hispaniola, split by the nations of the Dominican Republic and Haiti, to report on pressing social justice issues from a journalistic and historic perspective.

In a merged history and journalism course, 12 students were led by Assistant Professor of Communication Paola Prado and Assistant Professor of History Autumn Quezada-Grant. They reported on issues including unequal distribution of wealth, statelessness, poverty, class, race, sex and drug trafficking, and lack of basic human rights such as healthcare,

clean water, and education.

"The logic of the program was to start on the manicured east coast, which is a haven for tourists from all over the world and progress with the students in a westward movement across the country," Prado said.

The students traveled to popular tourist destination Punta Cana, the capital of the Dominican Republic Santo Domingo, El Seybo, the second largest city in the Dominican Republic Santiago, Restauracion, and the Haitian border town of Tirol.

"We recognized the historical legacies and patterns that have produced and maintained these cycles of poverty, corruption, and disparity," said senior secondary education and history major Keelan Higgins.

Higgins added that the group

saw efforts to improve these issues in some areas, illustrated through the various community technology centers that offered free Internet access and educational programming to citizens and communities.

Students noticed that the roads changed from tar to dirt as they crossed into Tirol. Since the 2010 earthquake in Haiti, townsfolk have hoped for a better future for their families, a better economy, better schools, and better healthcare.

After the earthquake, Haiti faced so many problems; many were left for dead and many others not found. Those who survived had no shelter, food, or basic necessities. To this day, the chaos remains for Haitians who live in Tirol. Sewage runs through the streets where young children run barefoot, and all

food and water is contaminated.

A pharmacy doctor and priest in Tirol, Roger Guerrier, explained that he has been in Haiti for 10 years and has worked at his pharmacy for nine years. Guerrier's pharmacy provides basic first aid, HIV prevention, and water source education.

"Although there is a highly dedicated doctor in the village, he lacks the necessary resources to provide complete and proper healthcare to everyone in the village," Higgins said.

Higgins recalled the voice of a woman wailing from a church where the funeral of a 14-year-old girl was taking place.

"She passed away in her sleep, and because of the lack of medical technology, nobody knows the cause of her death," Higgins said.

Junior criminal justice major Gabby Reardon explained that being on site gave her the ability to witness things and feel emotions that cannot be taught or felt with a textbook. Senior French and history major Chelsea Langord said that the trip made her more appreciative of what she has and learned the importance in spreading the word of these social justice issues.

"RWU can be a bubble of privilege, and it's so important to recognize that privilege and use it for good, like helping the voices of the underprivileged be heard and amplified through us," Higgins said. "Without trips like these, many people would never otherwise step outside of that bubble, or worse, never recognize that they're in it in the first place."



RACHEL LOMBARDI/THE HAWKS' HERALD

From left: RWU students visit a monument to Christopher Columbus in Faro a Colón in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. A boy was standing on the side of Haiti with his body pressed up against this gate on the border between Haiti and the Dominican Republic, while students stood on the other side taking photos and mental notes.



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# Professor of the week

*Aquaculture expert brings worldly experience to students*

**Shana Sims**  
*On the Bay Editor*

Most professors spend their time on campus, in classrooms teaching or working in their office. Associate Professor Dale Leavitt spends 50 percent of his time working on public outreach for Roger Williams University.

It's hard to understand where Leavitt finds the time. He teaches animal nutrition, aquaculture, marine resource management, environment, toxicology, oceanography, and freshman biology. He also works in the wet labs and on the learning platform with all sorts of shellfish and research projects. Over the course of 10 years, he has conducted projects with students that help them apply their knowledge to the real world.

"My hope is that the students that take my class have a really good understanding of how to take their knowledge and put it to work," Leavitt said. "And we spend most of the time in our classes doing mostly that."

Students work mostly on the Narragansett Bay doing various things, depending on their class.

Before he was so involved at RWU, Leavitt grew up on the water and knew where he was going to spend the rest of his life.

"I grew up a clam digger, that's how I made money all through high school. I come from a long history

of fisherman. My grandfather was a lobsterman, all of my brothers worked in off-shore fishing," Leavitt said. "I grew up on the water, so it seemed like a natural thing to work on the water"

Leavitt spent 25 years with the Wood's Hole Oceanographic Institution. He traveled to Kazakhstan to work in the Caspian Sea. He worked in China collecting clams on the Bohai Sea. He even helped minimize damage at an oil spill in Mexico. Now, he applies that knowledge to students and takes them abroad every two years to study in Turkey.

In addition to his responsibilities at RWU, Leavitt works at a Large Mouth Bass Fishery in Massachusetts. He also works on improving quahog stock in the Narragansett Bay and brings all of that experience to his students.

Off campus, he spends time with his wife and tends to his hobby farm. At his home in Falmouth, Mass., he has a miniature cow, a dwarf goat, as well as chickens and geese.

As much as he values the things that students learn in the classroom, he tries to prepare students for the real world.

"It's great to get all of this book learning, but where the rubber meets the road is how you take that information and then make the world better for people," Leavitt said. "That's what it's all about."

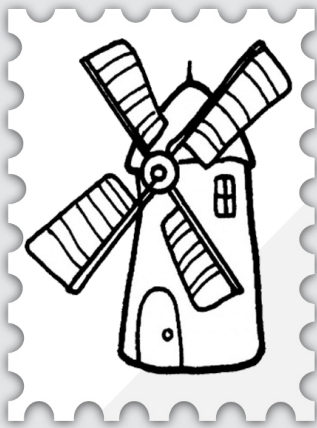


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Associate Professor Dale Leavitt allows students to apply their knowledge by bringing them out into the environment.

## Notes from the Netherlands

*Learning from the green book*



One of the requirements for my study abroad program in the Netherlands is taking a Dutch course. This is something that I had been highly anticipating since the moment that I applied. Before I left, I had read that it would be a two-week long intensive Dutch course, five hours each day, which sounded intimidating.

The class has actually lasted for three weeks, Monday through Thursday, but it doesn't always last five hours a day. Dutch actually isn't as hard to learn as I expected it to be. "Nederlands is makkelijk," the teacher always reminds us, which means, "Dutch is easy."

The book that we use is the Delft Method. It is supposedly known for being the best Dutch teaching method, and commonly referred to as "the green book" appropriately because of the color.

The teaching method is very different compared to how many students are taught Spanish or French in American schools. Each lesson contains a text, and by reading the text, you learn the words. There is a corresponding word list that shows every new word in order of appearance,

which is extremely helpful. There is usually a section with grammar in each lesson, and there is also exercises corresponding to the text and grammar.

It also comes with CDs that read the texts aloud. It is helpful to listen to them because it gives you an understanding of how the words and sentences are supposed to sound. It feels kind of goofy to sit there and read along with the recordings, but it really does help you learn it better.

Another thing that's convenient about the book is that you gradually learn more things that are typical to Dutch culture. For example, from reading the texts I have learned that while it is unacceptable in Dutch culture for people to be late to things, a common excuse that people use is that "the bridge was open," because there are so many water ways in the Netherlands.

Some of the lessons that I've found really helpful were on time, the supermarket, and transportation. As I continue to live my day-to-day life while slowly picking up the language, some things have become a little easier. I can

now read most signs in Dutch, and I can also recognize more foods in the supermarket.

I am even beginning to be able to make simple interactions in Dutch, like when I am ordering something at the bakery, or paying for my groceries. I find myself listening in on conversations going on around me often, picking up a few words here and there and trying to put together what they are saying. It's fun, but also frustrating because I just want to be able to speak it and understand it fluently.

The hardest part of the language for me, is that there are certain words that have multiple meanings, and mean completely different things in context. Another thing that's difficult is the conjugation of verbs, and lastly, the placement of words in a sentence.

When you translate a Dutch sentence exactly in English, it doesn't make any sense; all the words are jumbled. So you really have to understand English sentences to understand the translations.

Another interesting part of learning the language is that you really learn a lot about your own language. There

are so many things that we do in English that are very difficult for people learning it to understand and vice versa with Dutch. I have also learned a lot of things about American culture while taking this class, which is really interesting and fun.

Overall, Dutch isn't as hard of a language to learn as one would expect it to be. I find reading it and translating it to be the easiest part, because you don't have to worry about the pronunciation as much when you are reading it aloud.

I am actually a bit sad that learning Dutch is coming to an end. I have hopes to continue using the book and teaching myself more throughout the rest of the semester, but we'll see how that goes.

Ashley Williams

Herald Foreign Correspondant

*Junior student studying abroad this semester at Central College in Leiden, the Netherlands.*

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# Harvard professor visits campus

## Lawrence Lessig talks politics and journalism with students

Jacquelyn Voghel  
News Manager

In the United States, many citizens hold the right to vote as a basis for liberty and political equality. While many recognize that suffrage and representation excluded large groups of citizens throughout American history, people often assume that issues of political equality have since been resolved. In the modern day, people associate voting with making their voices heard in government.

According to Professor Lawrence Lessig of Harvard Law School, voting does not guarantee that the general public's opinions will be recognized. Lessig holds that political equality is not only an issue of the past, but an ideal that the country must continue to work toward today.

As Harvard's Roy L. Furman Professor of Law, Lessig is also an attorney, author, and activist, and is known for his views on corruption in American political equality. Citing the ideas of the Framers of the Constitution, Lessig expressed that people were meant to have an equal influence in the political system, regardless of economic status. Lessig, however, also holds that many of the concepts that are supposed to guarantee citizens equality have not been realized. Specifically, he focuses on the idea that the country's system of political campaign funding undermines equality in the United States.

While less than one percent

of the population makes significant contributions to campaign funds, Lessig asserted that this small fraction of the country's population is grossly overrepresented in politics. While in office, members of Congress spend 30 to 70 percent of their time attempting to raise enough money to get reelected. As a result, Lessig expressed that Congress focuses on appeasing an incredibly small, wealthy portion of the population, rather than the general public.

“When you make funders of campaigns happy ... you're not going to be representing people who aren't funding.”

- Lawrence Lessig  
Professor, Harvard Law

“In order to get elected, you have to make the funders of campaigns happy. When you make funders of campaigns happy and psychologically do that thirty to seventy percent of your time, you're not going to be representing people who aren't funding. That dynamic distorts how [Congress] thinks about what they're doing, and that's the distortion that you have to fix,” Lessig said.

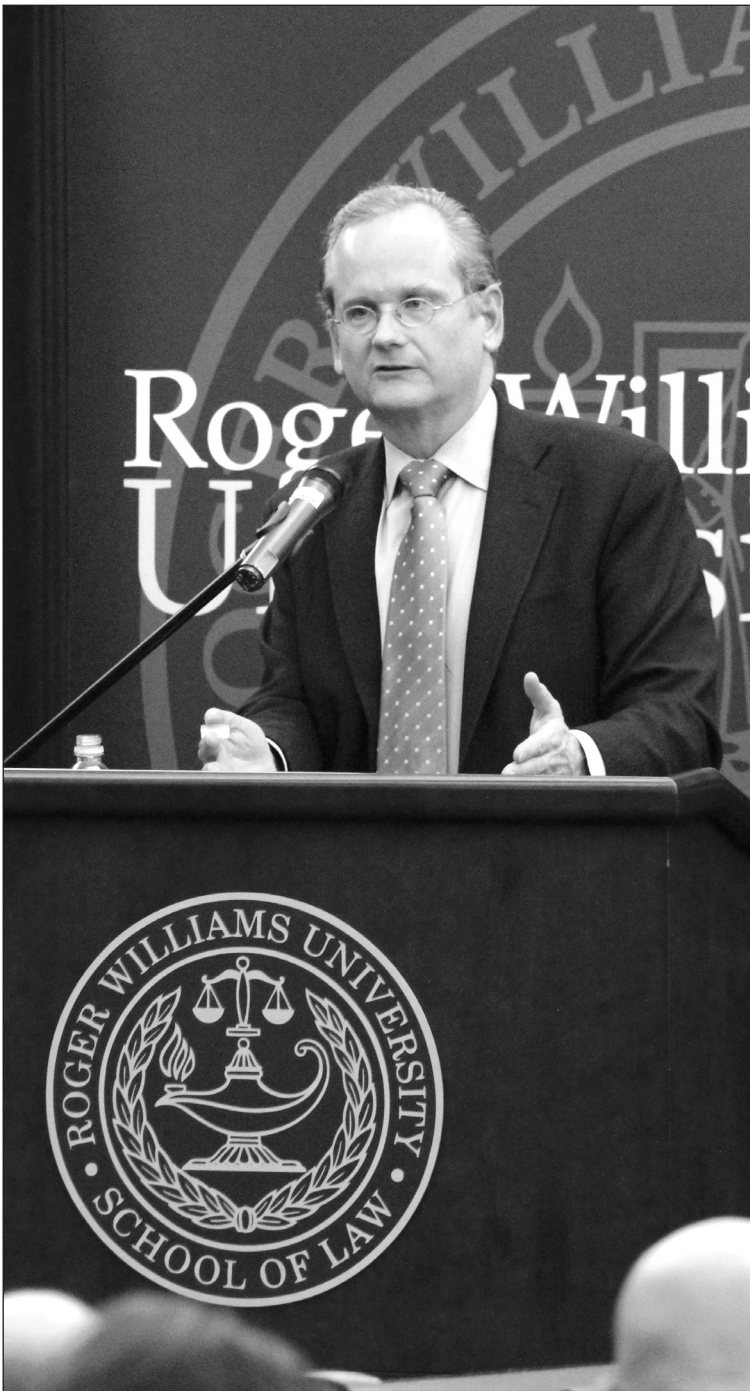
While Lessig stressed that the opinion of the general public as a whole is overlooked in politics, he emphasized

the effect that this political inequality will have on the younger generations, including current college students. While issues such as climate change, job growth, and debt are the bane of the younger generation, Lessig pointed out that the older generation will not have to worry about the consequences of these issues.

“People my age, global warming isn't going to affect us. We're not going to have any problem with social security, we're going to have health care until we die. These are issues that are very abstract for us, but very real for you,” Lessig said.

Ultimately, Lessig believes that recognizing corruption in the election funding system is necessary for a vital step forward in political equality. Once this issue has been recognized, he stresses the importance of supporting movements that advocate for change in the way that elections are funded. Furthermore, Lessig stated that this involvement is particularly important for students.

“We have to change the way elections are funded,” Lessig said. “If we change that, then you'll have a government that's more responsive to democratic pressures, as opposed to economic or financial efforts. If you had a more democratic response of government, then there's more of a chance that it would be delivering the kind of policies that would be beneficial to the generation that you represent.”



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Lawrence Lessig visits campus as part of the President's Distinguished Speakers Series and talks to students and faculty about political equality and the corruption of congressional funding.

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This week's Hawk happenings



*Birss Memorial Library Exhibition: Richard Wright's "Native Son"*

This event celebrates the 75th Anniversary of Richard Wright's "Native Son: Then and Now," one of the first major works of literature by an African-American writer. The exhibition will include other works, such as one of Wright's unpublished and controversial essays, "I chose Paris," as well as photographs spanning from the 1930s to the recent events in Ferguson, MO. **Details: Open daily during library hours from Feb. 1 through Mar. 31.**

*Theatre Main Season Series III: "Almost Within my Reach: Two Modern Classics."*

Two classic one-act plays come together to bring feminist themes in different genres. "Trifles" is about women examining details of a crime that were dismissed by their male counterparts. "Riders to the Sea" is about Irish women struggling to survive. **Details: Feb. 26, 27, 28 at 7:30 p.m. and Feb. 22 at 2 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$5 for students, \$10 general admission. Performing Arts Center.**

*Christian Ecumenical Worship*

Reflect, pray and celebrate Communion on all Sundays of the semester with the Christian community of RWU. All are welcome. **Details: March 1, 8, 15 at 4 p.m., GHH 200.**

*Catholic Mass on Campus*

Weekly Mass with the Catholic Campus Ministry. **Details: March 1, 8, 15 at 7 p.m., GHH 206.**

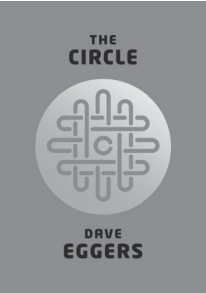
*CEN Movie: The Breakfast Club*



Enjoy this classic movie with breakfast foods. Bring your friends, jocks, nerds or popular kids. **Details: Feb. 27, 9 p.m., Upper Commons.**

*Washington and Lee University Singers in Concert*

The Washington and Lee University singers lead by Dr. Shane Lynch bring choral music to the Global Heritage Hall. Enjoy both traditional and contemporary selections at this music. **Details: Feb. 26, 7:30 p.m. GHH Atrium.**



*Common Reading: "From 'The Circle' to 'The Glass Cage': The*

*Intersection of Technology and Humanity.*

Nicholas Carr, author of "The Shallows: What the Internet is Doing to our Brains" and "The Glass Cage: Automation and Us" will discuss this year's common reading. **Details: March 2, 7 p.m. Recreation Center Field House.**

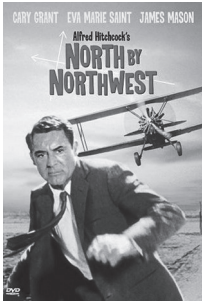
*Zen Meditation*

Get in the zone and feel the stress of school melt away during this meditation session. **Details: March 3, 6 p.m., Intercultural Center Prayer Room.**

*Dance Series: "HIC SVNT Dracones"*

This show is a 15th century cartographer's term describing the interior of an unexplored continent. K.J. Holmes and Devika Wickremesinghe explore body, time, place and emotion in this performance. This event is free and open to the public. **Details: March 2, 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center.**

*Great Film Series: "North by Northwest."*



A classic Alfred Hitchcock movie with Cary Grant brings you into the world of espionage with romance and excitement. **Details: Feb. 25, 7 p.m. GHH G01.**

*Roger At Prayer*

Each Thursday, take a spiritual time out and pray for concerns you have for yourself and others. All are welcome to take part this prayer, meditation and intercession opportunity. **Details: Feb. 26, 12 p.m., Intercultural Center Multipurpose Room.**

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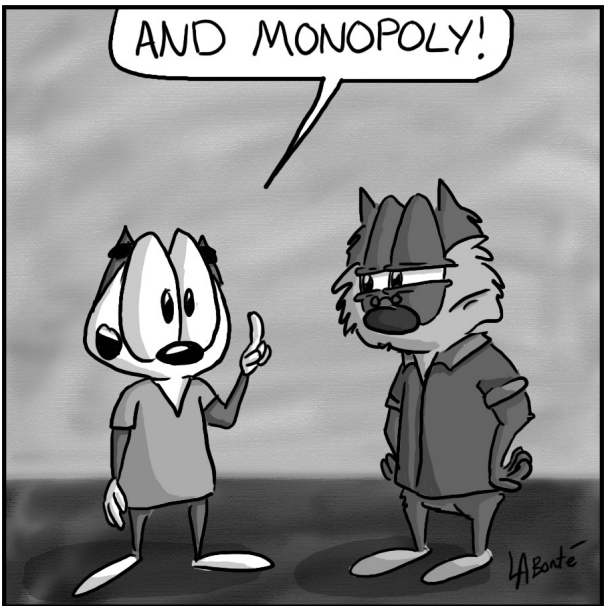
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# Campus Clues

All winter long  
I still keep my tan.  
Who am I?

This answer to this  
riddle is somewhere on  
campus!  
Tweet @thehawksherald  
and tell us the answer.  
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Last week's answer:  
The Library

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Thursday, April 9, 2015 — 5 P.M.



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# Answer to last week's Sudoku

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Question of the week:

What are looking forward to about warmer weather?



Kristen Audette | SENIOR  
“Playing frisbee and just being outside 24/7.”



Jake Genereux | SOPHOMORE  
“Being able to walk outside and not freeze to death.”



Shelby Payanis | FRESHMAN  
“Being able to go down to the water on campus.”



Alissa McGeehan | SOPHOMORE  
“Not having to dress in layers and wearing nicer clothes.”

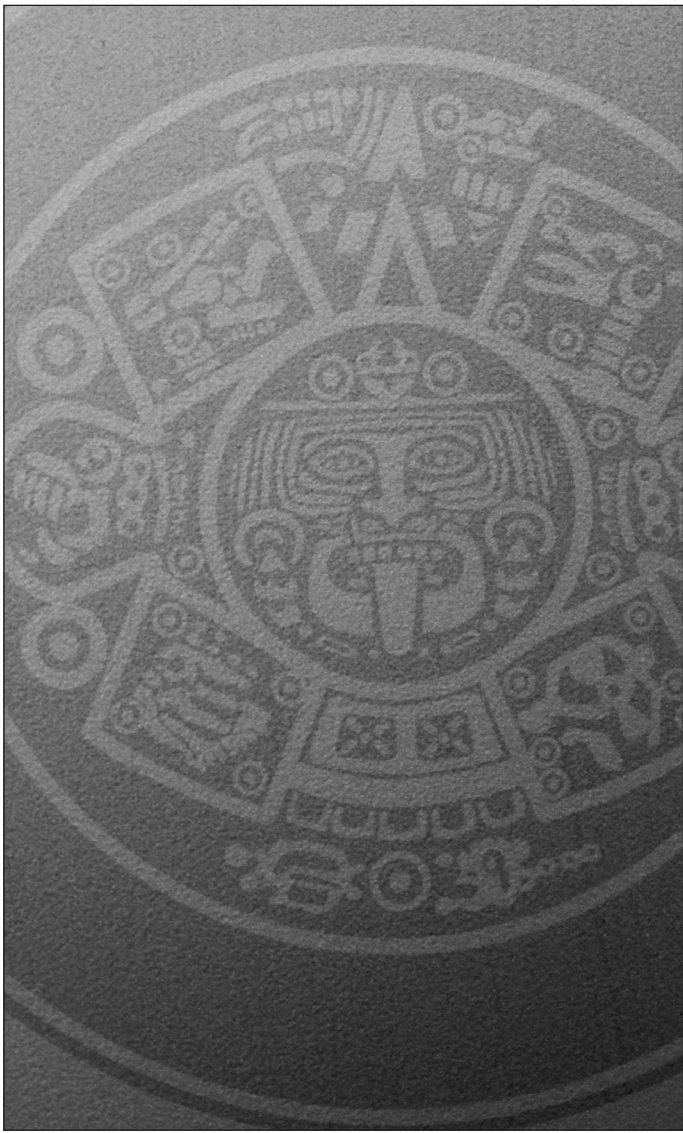


Alex Camosci | SENIOR  
“Seeing people on campus and being able to go out and do things.”



Caio Metre | SOPHOMORE  
“Everything feels better, everyone looks happier.”

Snapshot Search



This picture is somewhere on campus!

Tweet @thehawksherald and tell us where you think the photo was taken. Winners and the answer will be printed in next week’s issue!

Last week’s answer: The hawk logo on the floor of the lobby of the Recreation Center



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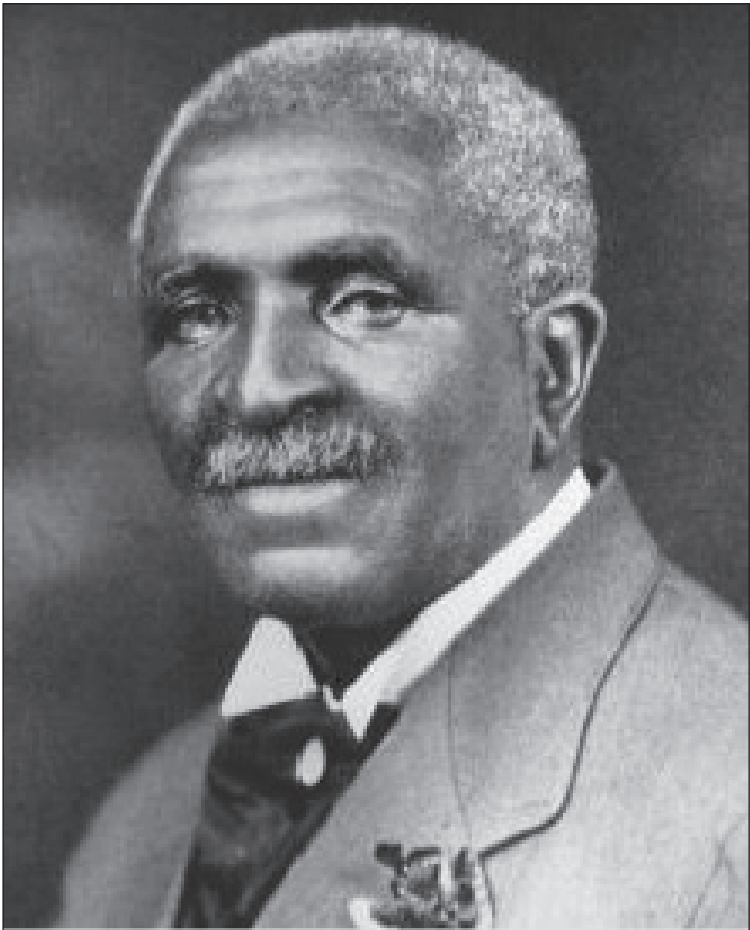


# Reduce, Reuse, RWU

Emma Wightman  
Herald Contributor

In honor of Black History Month, we take the time to celebrate the life of George Washington Carver, a famous Black inventor whose discoveries have helped the world be a bit “greener.” Carver was born in the early 1860s and quickly developed a love for learning and plants. He was known as the “plant doctor” around the neighborhood, as he knew many herbal and natural remedies to common ailments.

With this knack for botany and horticulture, he became the first black man accepted into Iowa State University. Upon graduation, he was offered a job as Director of Agriculture at Tuskegee Institute and, although it paid very little, he was accepted the title and job. There, he expanded his education and performed thorough research. Eventually he came up with a system of crop rotation where farmers rotate between depleting cotton plants with replenishing peanut plants. Crops flourished through this system, but there was a large excess of peanuts. This surplus of peanuts sparked the creative mind of Carver, and he began to think of many uses for the peanut: foods, laundry detergents, medicines, cosmetics, paints, papers, ink,



COURTESY EMMA WIGHTMAN

rubber, and so much more. The research Carver did is very important to society today, in addition to being an eco-friendly invention. Instead of creating many common, mass-produced items using harmful chemicals and non-renewable energy, he used peanuts, which are a very renewable, abundant crop in the US. Everyday objects are more natural, healthy, and

less harmful on the planet. In both the production sense and the final product sense, George Washington Carver helped to create a greener world. We salute you, George Washington Carver, for your tireless dedication and commitment, and not for money or fame, but for the improvement of the world we all share.

# Students perform early feminist drama



COURTESY CORY LARRUBIA

RWU Students perform “Trifles,” a play about women who examine the details of a crime missed by their male counterparts. As part of this series, students also perform “Riders to the Sea,” another feminist drama taking place in Ireland. Nicholas Cory, sophomore, plays the Ghost of Michael in this one-act performance. “There are parts where he really shows compassion and love for his family and I am reminded of times where I have felt those feelings,” Corey said. Catch the show between Feb. 26 and 28 at 7:30 p.m. Student tickets at \$5. - Gabby Dougherty

# Horoscopes:

Thursday, Feb. 26

## TODAY’S BIRTHDAY


Last week was crazy, but don’t be afraid to take some time for your birthday this week. Get some work done ahead of time and celebrate this weekend, you deserve it. Make sure you don’t forget to invite anyone, your scattered brain isn’t serving you well these days. Don’t forget to have fun!

 **ARIES**  
March 21 - April 19


 **LIBRA**  
Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Don’t be afraid to reach out this week to a friend that may need you, it could make a big difference to them.


You’ve been annoyed by someone in your life lately, maybe a roommate or a teammate. Remember who’s there for you and who’s not, and put yourself first.

 **TAURUS**  
April 20 - May 20

Starting to fall behind this semester? This is the week to catch up. Start writing things down and take some time to get ahead.

 **SCORPIO**  
Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

This is a week for you to relax. Drama among friends or stress from classes is weighing you down. You don’t have to be everything at once.

 **GEMINI**  
May 21 - June 20

Try something new this week. This is your time to make a change or do something different, whether it’s a new food at the Commons or talking to that cutie in your class.

 **SAGITTARIUS**  
Nov. 22 - Dec. 21


You’re good at living in the now, but there are some things coming up that need your attention. Try to do some forward thinking.

 **CANCER**  
June 21 - July 22


Your head has been in the clouds lately, which isn’t always a bad thing. Use that energy but take some time to settle back down and be productive this week.

 **CAPRICORN**  
Dec. 22 - Jan. 19


Something is going to set you off this week, but don’t let it get in your way. Get some hot cocoa from Upper Commons and chill.

 **LEO**  
July 23 - Aug. 22


Start that internship search and make sure your resume is polished; the opportunity is on the horizon.

 **AQUARIUS**  
Jan. 20 - Feb 18

You’ve been looking for work, but having no luck. Don’t be afraid to look off campus and out of your comfort zone.

 **VIRGO**  
Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

Feeling like you need a break? Get off campus this weekend, go home or to a friend’s. The rest and relaxation will do you a world of good.

 **PISCES**  
Feb. 19 - March 20

It’s okay to feel more reserved than usual this week. Find a quiet place on or off campus to relax and check in with yourself.

# What’s ‘appening?



Shana Sims  
On the Bay Editor

Sometimes the best way to get to know your town is to look at it through the eyes of a traveler. Don’t miss out on any hidden Bristol gems with the “Explore Bristol” app. Next time you have a free afternoon, download this app and see what’s under your nose. Select ‘play’, ‘shop’, ‘eat’, ‘stay’, or ‘tours’, and see what’s near you. Check out the interactive map, or look specifically for events,

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# Artist of the week



MIDDLE: RACHEL DIEP/THE HAWKS’ HERALD, LEFT AND RIGHT: COURTESY CATHERINE WILKINSON

From left: A painting that senior graphic design major Catherine Wilkinson created on the back of a skateboard, Wilkinson gains inspiration from the beautiful views of Bristol, another painting inspired by nature.

**Kate Tufts**  
*Herald Reporter*

Creating art is a talent that many strive to possess. Attleboro, Mass. native and senior graphic design major Catherine Wilkinson embodies this talent. Wilkinson has been painting since she could hold a brush, and hasn’t stopped since. “I’ve enjoyed creating art for as long as I can remember,” she said in an email interview. “I like working with paint the most because it can so easily be changed, I can always go back and improve it if I want.”

Art takes shape in many different forms, whether it is a painting, sculpture, or drawing. All artists have a different style, but in the end they have the same goal in mind. Their goal is to create something that affects people. Whether that effect is enjoyment at the way it looks or bringing out a certain emotion when they look at it; art has that kind of power. Wilkinson knows this and is considering becoming an art teacher one day. “If I could find a career after college that involved both graphic design and painting I’d be very happy,” Wilkinson said.

Living in Rhode Island, there are countless places that provide inspiration for beautiful landscape paintings. Wilkinson has taken full advantage of this state, and likes to paint art that has a beach or coastal style to it. She also gains inspiration from the things she sees around her. “I gain inspiration from everywhere. Landscapes and buildings, natural forms such as shells, rocks, trees. I love to walk through stores such as Homegoods to get different ideas,” Wilkinson said. Creating art can also be a very emotional experience for artists. It provides an outlet for

expression without the use of words. “It’s a means of escape and relaxation for me, something that I really enjoy doing,” Wilkinson said. “I love finishing a painting and stepping back and thinking, ‘wow I just painted that’. It’s a good feeling. It’s almost a feeling of surprise, and I hope that never goes away, the feeling of being proud of myself.” Wilkinson has showcased her work in a number of ways. She has posted pictures of her work on Facebook. Her art was also accepted into the Annual Student Juried Art Show, where

she won an award and received the Jessica Raposa Memorial Art Scholarship. “Painting, to me, means putting down on paper what you enjoy, what you find physically attractive,” Wilkinson said. “Painting means fun and expression, it means color and light. Painting means time, hard work, and knots in your back from obsessing about the shape of something or that line that you just cant get right, because it’s worth it when you have that final product.”

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*When cartoons first became a staple in your childhood, which ones were your favorite?*

- 9 a.m. ....The Powerpuff Girls
- 10 a.m. ....Hey Arnold
- 12 p.m. ....Rugrats
- 2 p.m. ....Spongebob
- 3 p.m. ....Recess
- 5 p.m. ....Ed, Ed and Eddy
- 8 p.m. ....Rocket Power
- 10 p.m. ....Catdog